

## A Resolution

**NO. 3651-09-2008**

### **AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO RETAIN THE LAW FIRM OF LYNN, PHAM AND ROSS, LLP FOR ASSISTANCE REGARDING PERSONNEL MATTERS**

**WHEREAS,** there are various issues concerning personnel matters in response for which staff would like to receive advice and guidance; and

**WHEREAS,** because of the extraordinary importance of the issues raised, and because the City seeks to avoid any conflicts of interest, it is necessary to retain outside legal counsel to advise the City in these issues; and

**WHEREAS,** Bettye Lynn of the law firm Lynn, Pham and Ross, LLP, possesses the required knowledge and expertise in personnel issues and has agreed to represent the City;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
FORT WORTH, TEXAS:**

#### **I.**

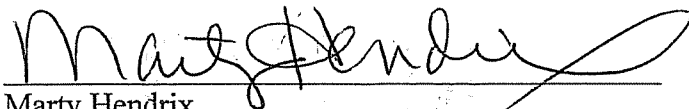
That the City Attorney is hereby authorized to retain the law firm of Lynn, Pham and Ross, LLP, as outside counsel pursuant to Chapter VI, Section 3, of the City Charter to assist the City Attorney in personnel matters.

#### **II.**

As far as practicable, the compensation to be paid to Lynn, Pham and Ross, LLP for services is hereby fixed in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.

**AND IT IS SO RESOLVED.**

ADOPTED this 9th day of September, 2008.



Marty Hendrix  
City Secretary

APPROVED  
CITY COUNCIL

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City Secretary of the  
City of Fort Worth, Texas



**CITY OF FORT WORTH**

# *City of Fort Worth, Texas*

## Mayor and Council Communication

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**COUNCIL ACTION: Approved on 9/9/2008 - Res. No. 3651-09-2008**

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**DATE:** Tuesday, September 09, 2008  
**LOG NAME:** 12LYNNCOUNSEL

**REFERENCE NO.:** \*\*G-16266

**SUBJECT:**

Adopt Resolution Authorizing Employment of Lynn, Pham and Ross, LLP, as Outside Counsel to Assist the City in Personnel Issues in an Amount Not to Exceed \$15,000.00

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to retain Bettye Lynn of the law firm Lynn, Pham and Ross, LLP, as outside counsel, pursuant to Chapter VI, Section 3, of the City Charter, to assist the City Attorney in representing the City in regard to personnel issues and to represent the City in any litigation concerning such matters; and
2. Adopt the attached resolution fixing in advance, as far as practicable, the amount to be paid to Bettye Lynn of the law firm Lynn, Pham and Ross, LLP, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00.

**DISCUSSION:**

There are legal issues concerning personnel matters. In order to effectively address these issues, staff will need to receive advice and guidance in responding to those issues, and in representing the City in any related litigation.

Because of the extraordinary importance of the issues raised, it is the opinion of the City Attorney that outside legal counsel, with knowledge and expertise in matters involving personnel matters, be retained to assist and advise the City Attorney.

**FISCAL INFORMATION/CERTIFICATION:**

The Finance Director certifies that funds are available in the current operating budget of the General Fund.

**TO Fund/Account/Centers**

**FROM Fund/Account/Centers**

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\$15,000.00

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